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Dear Harold,

This is in response to your 5/29.

Nichols picture: I think we may dispute interpretations of this, as to whether or not there is the beginning of an alteration. As for my correspondance on this, you have a carbon of the letter in which I ordered two copies of his picture. Their response was to send them and say in a letter that they are enclosing the pix I ordered in such and such a letter.

Missing fragment: I do not know what you mean by XXXXXXX suggesting I get picture of the "other long projections." Judging from shape and size, I think I know where the fragment came from. Without going into detail, I think it came from one of the two "cracks" in 399 base, probably what would be the upper one on your picture.

I figured you would be glad that I chose not to discuss matters with Fred.

Your suggestion that I go over my 5/25 and make a list of missing items with history, etc. perhaps has already been done in my proposed draft of letter to Rhodes. Other than that, I'm at a loss to see what you mean. Could you clarify?

Your enclosed cartoon about hair and "working within the system" is particularly appropriate. Many take great offense at my hair for a variety of reasons. For me, it does not represent what has become the stereotype of rebellion against establishment. It is something which I desire and regard as my personal right--though I have no objections to discussing it with people. However, one of the most frequent arguements I get is that to change the system, I must work from within it. Well, I do work from within it, and I don't seriously entertain the thought that my hair alienates me, or puts me out of it. If such superficialities are such a concrete barrier, then"our" moral and intrinsic values are worse off than I thought.

Letter to Gary re Archives: Your reference to my previous and unfinished cataloguing of your Archives mail reminded me. I definately want to finish this next time I am there. In fact, I was thinking of starting again with a better and more understandable system, also to get things I might have missed due to my initial lack of familiarity with the nature of your requests. I would also be willing to do this with whatever other correspondances you have.

I graduate June 11 and will be free after that, so could I come, say, in around 3 or 4 weeks--whenever best for you? I intend to make myself as useful as possible, so if there are things to be done which I can do there, tell me.

Lifton: I'll be getting a lot of stuff from him soon. I'm getting set of Couch-Underwood-Weigman frames, duplicates of the Bond slides, and a print of Moorman which is suppoesed to "knock me off my feet." I'm also getting an 80 ft. reel of 5-6 copies of B&W Nix film--in regular and slow motion, plus a zoom view of head shot. This Nix comes in 8mm and 16mm for $14 if you want a copy.

While I'm writin, I'll answer Dick's letter to us of 5/26.

By the way, the DJ has turned down my request for a) documents relating to slaying of 6 Georgia blacks and b) suits filed in Halleck's court for pix and X-rays. I wanted to get the latter from DJ since many of the things I have now which relate to it are not copies of the official documents--merely retypes. However, I probably will want to publish some of this stuff and will need the real things. Is there any way I can get copies? DJ referred me to court cleck.

The only thing inviting response in Dick's is the matter of brain tissue near inlet. Dick seems to think that low velocity round would not have driven it there. I've said before I doubt if a high velocity round could have done it. That is a distance of over 100 feet, moving against 17mph winds. Imagine trying to move a piece of jello like that. As for the alternate suggestions, they are not possible. Z shows nothing on trunk and, even so, if matter rolled off, it would hit the street, not grass which was about 20 feet away. As for hitting the windshield and bouncing off, that is just as ridiculous. As soon as brain tissue would come in contact with glass in that way, it would splatter.

We can't be positive that the brain near inlet shows in Z. I originally thought it did, but now am not sure. It does seem very unlikely. I think the most probable thing is that it was moved there right after the shots. One of the little kids there could have done it. Remeber what Weitzman said about somebody throwing something white into a bush? I wouldn't get too hung up on this.

I wrote to XXXXX Fred asking for source of CD information.

Best wishes,

Jones

cc. Dick